

## Cut-Price Sale of Ribbons at Half Price and Less!

This sale includes small lots and incomplete assortments of Ribbons at ridiculous reductions for quick clearance.

25c Ribbons, 10c—4 inch Black and White Striped Ribbons, less than half.

29c Ribbons for 15c—Satin and Brocade Ribbons, various colors and designs.

39c to 59c Ribbons, 19c—Brocades, checks and stripes, 4 1/2 to 6 inches wide, satin or taffeta.

69c Ribbons, 25c—Warp Prints, Dresden, Persian Brocades and Satin Ribbons, nearly all colors.

89c Ribbons, 39c—Satin Brocades and Persians, 6 to 8 inches wide, most all colors.

\$1.50 Ribbons, 69c—Persian Ribbons, 8 inches wide, only a limited quantity.

39c and 59c Ribbon Belting, 15c—Light blue, pink, mauve, Alice blue, old rose; two widths.

**Miller & Rhoads**

## HOWITZERS WILL MARCH ON ATLANTA

Thirty Men Accept Invitation to Attend Big Celebration in October.

More than thirty of the members of the Richmond Howitzers last night voted to accept the invitation extended by the battery of the Old Guard of the Gate City Guard, the Chamber of Commerce, of Atlanta, the Governor of Georgia and the committee of citizens to attend the ceremonies planned for the first week in October. The occasion will be the unveiling of the "Peace Monument," erected in Atlanta to commemorate the memorable trip of the Gate City Guard through the North soon after the days of reconstruction. From all accounts the affairs will be one of the most notable military demonstrations in the history of the South. Many of the northern military organizations which are so well known in this section have already accepted invitations to be present, and will come South in full force. Among these are the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company, of Boston; the Providence Light Infantry, of Providence, R. I.; the Foot Guard, of New Haven and Hartford; and the Putnam Phalanx, of Connecticut.

One week will be given over to the festivities. The Howitzers would like to go as a battery, but in view of the coming encampment, attendance at which is compulsory, some of them will be unable to secure a second leave of absence from their employers.

Captain W. M. Myers was authorized to appoint a committee to make arrangements for the Atlanta trip. After the battery meeting last night everybody took a swim in the gymnasium, trying to forget the trouble of hot weather.

### PREPARING FOR CAMP

Blues Packing for Encampment at Basic Next Week.

Preparation for the annual encampment at Basic City next week is engaging the sole attention of the officers and men of the Richmond Blues. Packing is in progress all over the armory, quarters and mess hall, and reduced to the verge of nervous prostration, while final instructions are being given those in charge of departments.

First Lieutenant Drewry W. Bowles, Jr., the battalion quartermaster, and Second Lieutenant R. M. Haggard, of Company B, will go to Basic City on Friday of this week, accompanied by a detail of four enlisted men, one from each company, for the purpose of laying out the camp and making all arrangements for the coming of the battalion.

### HAD NO QUORUM

Only Five Members of Board of Aldermen Respond to Roll Call.

Only five members responded to their names when the roll was called in the Board of Aldermen last night, those present being Messrs. Atkinson, Don Leavy, Nelson, Gunst and Whitte. The Board adjourned to next Tuesday night at 8 o'clock. Even had there been a quorum present, but little of the month's business could have been acted upon, as the rules require that three days shall elapse between the sessions of the two branches, and the Common Council was in session for several hours on Monday night.

On Streets held a brief meeting to consider a further appropriation of the sidewalk paving fund. The committee will complete the appropriation and report to the Street Committee next Monday night.

Cruelty to Animals. Two cases of cruelty to animals came up in Police Court yesterday morning and those were decided in each case. As a matter of fact, a dog named "Merri" was fined \$5 for cruelty to a horse, and a pig was fined the same amount for oversteering a horse.

James E. Gordon Quitts. James E. Gordon, qualified yesterday by Judge Clerk Ben D. H. H. as a member of the Board of Health, a position to which he was recently elected at a joint meeting of the City Council.

## To Owners of Government Bonds

This bank will receive UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT BONDS on deposit, and will pay 2 per cent. plus the interest received on the bonds for their use. This is an opportunity for owners of United States bonds to materially increase their income without disposing of their bonds.

Owners of over One Million Dollars of Government Bonds have deposited bonds with the bank of this city.

AVAIL YOURSELF OF THIS OPPORTUNITY.

**AMERICAN NATIONAL BANK**  
RICHMOND, VIRGINIA.

## WELCOME RELIEF COMES WITH RAIN

Backbone of Heat Wave Broken, While Mercury Registered 97.

### ELEVEN BLISTERING DAYS

Showers Force Drop in Temperature of Twenty Degrees in So Many Minutes.

Relief from the intolerable heat which has held the city in its grasp since July 1 came suddenly with a rainstorm yesterday shortly after 2 o'clock, while the official thermometer on Chimborazo Hill pointed to 97 degrees. Although the first blow lasted less than an hour, it sent the temperature down 20 degrees—so fast, in fact, that its declining progress in the tube could be easily followed with the eye. Later in the afternoon there was a second shower, which cooled the atmosphere, but there was enough humidity to still remind suffering humanity that the relief might not be permanent.

Just before the first peal of thunder Governor Mann had signed a proclamation, calling on the people of Virginia to pray for rain. The prayer was answered even before news of the proclamation had left the Capitol, but the need of continued showers to save the crops was not over.

Eleven Terrible Days. When the temperature reached 97 degrees yesterday, it marked the eleventh day of the torrid spell. No such record as that has ever been known before in Richmond. The heat which that could be offered by the government was in the shape of "local thunder showers," scattered anywhere, but not certainly to appear somewhere, and sometimes, and this town got its first out of many offered.

The forecast issued by the local bureau yesterday morning said this: "For Richmond and vicinity—Generally clear, but probably thunder showers to-night or Wednesday. Not quite so warm Wednesday."

How badly the experts guessed may be gained from the fact that rain came instead of "generally fair" in the official weather table furnished. The forecast was issued at 10 A. M. daily by the local bureau, and printed in this morning, there are two glaring errors.

Said It Didn't Rain. The record is printed as it was sent, and it states that the weather yesterday was clear, and opposite the word rainfall is a great big zero. But it was not clear and it did rain, and the record is a great big zero.

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Three Prostrated—One Dead. Of three men prostrated and reported yesterday, one proved fatal. Wyatt Price, seventy-five years old, of 716 North Third Street, dying from the effects of the sultry weather. He died yesterday afternoon. It was said that the aged negro had been suffering for some time, and had been stricken with apoplexy. He was taken to the city ambulance, but he became unresponsive, and Price succumbed with hardly a struggle.

Dr. Tarter, of the city ambulance, who was called yesterday morning, shortly after 11 o'clock, to the rear of a building going up on Broad street, between Ninth and Tenth, to attend Percy Parker, colored, of 1810 Jay Street, who had been stricken by the heat. Parker was carrying material to build a house when he fainted. The ambulance was called, and he was resuscitated by Dr. Tarter, afterwards being taken home.

Anna Hodgman, colored, of the rear of 707 East Leigh Street, was overcome in the Seventh street car, between the American Tobacco Company. Her condition was not serious, and she was soon resuscitated. She was taken home in the ambulance.

### ROBBERY AT FUNERAL

Negro Must Face Charge in Charlotte County Court.

John Barry, colored, arrested here a few days ago by Detective Sergeant, was turned over this morning to the county court, to be taken to Charlotte county, to be taken to trial on a charge of stealing a watch and money from his brother-in-law, George Strained.

Burrell is alleged to have committed the theft while the funeral of his brother was in progress. The watch and money were not missed until after his departure, and then suspicion fastened upon him. The Richmond police were notified to look out for him, and he was soon picked up by Sergeant Whitshire.

### BATHS FOR 130,000

That Many People Have Already Patronized Municipal Plant.

The heat wave has done much to boost the patronage of the Public Bathing House at Eighteenth and Broad streets. Since the first of the month 1,476 people have used the bath, an average of more than 100 per day. Manager R. O. Hardwick said yesterday that more than 1,000 patrons were using the establishment each week during the summer season.

The new public bath to be erected by the City of Richmond, at a cost of \$100,000, near Monument Park, will be almost a duplicate of the plant at Eighteenth and Broad streets. At the latter there are convenient showers for men and women, and a large room for women. They are liberally patronized, from 10 to 150 women attending each week. The new bath, when opened, will, according to Mr. Hardwick, the city department \$100 annually towards its support, and the amount has been amply to pay salaries for the three years that the institution has been in existence.

For the first time in thirty thousand people, a greater number than the entire population of the city, have used the bath since the place was thrown open to the public.

William Knight Found. William Knight, twenty years old, who had been reported as missing from his home at 1501 Floyd Avenue since Saturday afternoon at the Main Street Station by Bicycle Policeman Gerring, as there was no charge against him, he was turned over to friends.

Fifteen Years for Assault. Daniel Brown, colored, seventeen years old, was convicted yesterday afternoon in the Henrico county Circuit Court, of assault on an aged negro woman, Mary Fleming, and the jury brought in a verdict of fifteen years in the penitentiary.

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Short Sea Trips. New York and Boston Richmond Transfer Co.

## SMALLPOX CASE ON CHURCH HILL

Plumber, Ill With Disease, Refuses to Go to County Hospital.

### HEALTH BOARD IN CHARGE

Brother's Family Moved to Chesterfield After Patient Was Stricken.

What is regarded as a dangerous case of smallpox was found by the Board of Health at 2809 East Clay Street yesterday, the patient being W. J. Snead, a plumber, thirty-nine years old, the case should be removed to the county hospital in Henrico county, and he was still at home last night, the authorities not having decided exactly what action to take.

When the symptoms began to show a suspicious trace yesterday, Dr. William H. Parker, who was treating Snead, reported the matter to the Health Department, and Dr. West and Dr. Hudson made a minute examination early in the afternoon. They concluded that the case should be removed where infection would not spread, but Snead's refusal made the situation all the more complicated.

Can't Find Its Origin. The physicians were unable to ascertain where the disease was contracted, although they are sure it was in an effort to find out. Snead was first taken ill on July 2, and on July 6 there were signs of an eruption. The patient lives in the house with his wife and young child, and while Mrs. Snead has been vaccinated the child had not, and it is liable to contract the disease. Another fact feature was brought to light when the health authorities found that a brother of Snead, with members of his family, had been living in the East Clay Street residence and left last night for Lee Park, in Chesterfield county. No reports from that place could be received last night, so it could not be told whether any of the brother's family are ill there.

To Fumigate Clothing. While looking into every detail of the case, Dr. West and Dr. Hudson found that the family was given out on Monday to Hattie Hewlett, a colored woman, living at 1230 North Third Street, so the health people went immediately to that address.

The Hewlett woman has three children, none of whom have ever been vaccinated. All were vaccinated yesterday. The clothing found there will be thoroughly fumigated, so as to avoid the risk of any possible spread of the disease.

The Snead residence has been placarded, the neighbors have been vaccinated, and other precautions have been taken.

Governor Wants Prayers for Rain. Issues Proclamation, and Gets Refreshing Results Within Very Short Time.

For quick results Virginia's Governor probably has all records beaten. Within an hour of the time he issued a proclamation calling upon the people of Virginia to pray for rain, the showers descended upon the capital.

Much concerned about the losses which the people of this State have experienced as a result of the drought, the Governor yesterday prepared such an address, which was duly issued by Secretary Ben Owen. The fact that rain fell, however, does not mean that the request is withdrawn, for it is realized that a great deal more precipitation is needed, and that yesterday's showers were local and not all general.

The proclamation is as follows: "To the People of Virginia: 'The drought has become so serious, threatening not only the crops, but the supply of some of our cities, that unless we have rain, which will bring few days great suffering must result. I therefore call upon all the people of this Commonwealth, of every name and denomination, when they assemble in their churches and places of worship and their homes, to offer earnest prayers to God that abundant rain be sent upon the suffering earth and that we may be blessed as a people.'

"Given under my hand and under the lesser seal of the Commonwealth, at Richmond, this the eleventh day of July, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and eleven, and in the one hundred and thirty-fifth year of the Commonwealth."

"WILLIAM HODGES MANN, Governor."

"By the Governor: 'B. O. JAMES, Secretary of the Commonwealth.'"

May Extend Monument Avenue. A meeting of a subcommittee of the Commission on the extension of Monument Avenue, consisting of Messrs. Gunst, Sullivan, Haddon, Kain and City Engineer, Bolling, has been called for Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at City Hall. The members will go out and inspect the property at Monument Avenue and the road to consider the petition of W. S. Patten and others for extending Monument Avenue.

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The State Board of Veterinary Examiners will hold a meeting for the examination of candidates on Thursday at the Lynhaven Hotel.

MEET IN NORFOLK. State Veterinary Association to Assemble There on Friday.

The semi-annual convention of the Virginia State Veterinary Medical Association will open at the Lynhaven Hotel in Norfolk on Friday. Officers are Dr. J. H. Pennington, president, of Burkeville; Dr. H. Bannister, first vice-president, Roanoke; Dr. Charles E. B. Bannister, second vice-president, and Dr. W. G. Chrisman, secretary, Raleigh, N. C.

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## AFFLICTED WOMAN DRIVEN TO SUICIDE

Fearing That She Had Pellagra, Mrs. Virgie Heath Drinks Poison.

### RECENTLY LEFT HOSPITAL

Unconscious in Cellar When Found by Father After Long Search.

Afflicted, as he believed, with pellagra, and having been despondent over her condition ever since she left the Memorial Hospital two months ago, Mrs. Virgie Heath, thirty-three years old, widow of W. J. Heath, committed suicide at 10 o'clock yesterday morning in the home of her father, G. B. Baker, 517 North Twenty-second Street, by swallowing a large dose of carbolic acid. Coroner Taylor, who was notified, pronounced it a clear case of suicide.

Members of the family, when interviewed, were prone to discuss the case as little as possible, and declared that they did not know whether Mrs. Heath committed suicide or whether she swallowed the poison accidentally.

Ever since she had been a patient in the Memorial Hospital for four or five weeks, and had left about two months ago. But she was to have returned within a few days to undergo an operation, and this is believed to have preyed on her mind.

According to members of her family, she had appeared more or less despondent ever since malignant eruptions had appeared on one of her hands and spread partly up her arm. Three physicians were called in, and Dr. William A. McGowan, it was said, had made a thorough examination of the skin eruption and had decided that Mrs. Heath was not suffering from the strange, fatal disease. But her appearance had been so bad in the past few days, and though not confined to her bed, she was under constant watch by her father and other members of the family.

At times she was said to be entirely unconscious of what she was doing, and every precaution was taken to prevent her from doing bodily harm to herself.

Found in Cellar. When in the proper possession of her faculties Mrs. Heath was in the habit of performing household duties which fell to her lot, and yesterday morning, when she was out of her father's sight for a while, she was supposed to be performing some little household work. Only G. B. Baker, her father, who had been in the house at the time, missed her, and looked for her in the back yard. Failing to find her there, he called over to the home of Mrs. J. E. Eubank, 521 North Twenty-second Street, where Mrs. Heath often called. He was informed that she was not there.

After searching everywhere else, he looked into the cellar, and there a terrible sight met his eyes. His daughter was lying unconscious on the floor and an empty bottle and the appearance of her lips told him the story.

Could Render No Aid. Calling neighbors to his help, he raised the unconscious form of his daughter and carried her into the house. His son arrived shortly afterwards, and calls were everywhere sent for physicians. Dr. A. H. Schenck, among the first to arrive. But the doctor was too late. It had been so long since the young woman had swallowed the poison that medical attention could afford no help. She died without regaining consciousness.

The suicide was apparently not contemplated, for Mrs. Heath left no letter. Her continued illness is believed to have preyed on her mind, and the announcement of several physicians that she was afflicted with pellagra is supposed to have increased her nervous condition.

Mrs. Heath's husband died about four years ago, leaving no issue. She is survived by her father, one brother and two sisters. The funeral arrangements have not yet been made.

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**Gans-Rady Company**

## WINGFIELD HEADS GRAIN EXCHANGE

Standing Committees Named for Ensuing Year's Work.

C. W. Wingfield was elected president of the Richmond Grain Exchange at the annual meeting held yesterday. J. E. Cox was elected vice-president. The exchange named the following standing committee to serve for the ensuing year:

Executive Committee—W. F. Richardson, Jr., N. R. Savage, John R. Cary, H. G. Carter, W. R. Johnston. Arbitration Committee—John F. Jacob, Nat. Frazier, W. F. Richardson, Jr., W. F. Green, J. E. Cox, Jr. New Members Committee—George D. Mayo, W. W. Few, W. G. Hagg, R. M. Smith, John F. Jacob. Appeals Committee—John R. Cary, B. Lorraine, S. T. Beveridge, William P. Wood, W. M. Lewis. Trade Committee—W. R. Johnston, W. F. Green, W. M. Lewis, H. G. Carter, J. J. Lindsay. Hay Committee—R. L. Cheney, H. E. Kaaten, E. B. McGee, W. C. Todd, J. E. Cox, Jr. Grain Committee—S. T. Beveridge, W. G. Hagg, S. R. Gates, W. T. Selden, Edward Alvey. Quotations Committee—H. G. Carter, Edward Alvey, John F. Jacob, John R. Cary, J. E. Cox, Jr.

### GET AFTER DELINQUENTS

Many Corporations Said to Evade Payment of Registration Tax.

It is the intention of the State Corporation Commission and the Auditor of Public Accounts to make the case against the National Automatic Fire Alarm Company, of Washington, D. C., which has been summoned to show cause why it should not be fined for failure to pay its registration fee, the first of a series of such actions. The rule has been made returnable on July 19.

This action embraces the years of 1910 and 1911, for both of which the concern is said to be in default. The statement is made at the Auditor's office that a number of corporations have evaded the law by paying registration fees only occasionally, say every other year, as to prevent a revocation of the charter. In this manner, it is asserted, many thousands of dollars have become due the State, and it is these amounts which the Auditor proposes to collect.

There is a possibility that this particular case may be a test in one particular, for the firm claims in a letter that it is not liable for a franchise tax because it was chartered prior to the adoption of the new Constitution, which imposed such a tax.

The fine to which corporations are liable for failure to pay registration fees within ninety days after they are assessed is one of double the amount of the tax.

## BUSINESS PEOPLE INVOLVES RIGHTS FAIL TO PAY TAX OF STATE COURTS

License Delinquents Liable to Indictment by Special Grand Jury.

Because of their failure to pay their State license taxes innumerable business men—including merchants, physicians, lawyers and other professional men—will be indicted before a special grand jury on July 24 unless they square their accounts in the meantime with the State government. In the event of conviction they will be forced not only to pay the State license tax, but the costs of trial as well, and in the long run they will find that it is more expensive to defer or to try to avoid payment than it is to pay the license when it falls due. In some cases the license runs up to a large figure; in others it is small. Some, it is said, try to avoid payment by others fall owing to their own negligence.

But it is the case every year. Never a twelvemonth passes by that dozens of business men of all descriptions are reported for not paying their taxes, and endless trouble and inconvenience are the result.

There is no time for the main object of prosecution is to collect the revenue due, and those who have been negligent may now write their checks for the proper amounts and avoid the embarrassment of appearing in court.

There is also a large number of business men who have failed to pay their city taxes, and they are to appear in Police Court to-day. Justice Crutchfield stated yesterday that he would exact of them every penny legally required by law. In many cases those who have failed to pay their city taxes have been equally as negligent in regard to the State license taxes. Consequently they will encounter double trouble.

Hold Military Election. Adjutant-General Salsbery yesterday ordered an election to be held within thirty days by Company H, Second Infantry, at Harrisonburg, for the election of a captain and a first lieutenant. These offices have now been vacant for many months.

People at Capitol. State Senator R. E. Thornton, R. Walton Moore and Captain James Monroe Love, United States Army, all of Fairfax, were at the Capitol yesterday.

Deputy State Dairy and Food Commissioner B. L. Purcell has gone to Niagara Falls for a vacation.